

TRANSMITTAL LETTER			Case No. 10672-24
Serial No. 10/665,542	Filing Date September 17, 2003	Examiner Group Art Unit 3731	
Inventor(s) Dhindsa			
Title of Invention ENDOSCOPIC STONE EXTRACTION DEVICE WITH IMPROVED BASKED			

TO THE COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS

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☐ A verified statement to establish small entity status under 37 CFR §§ 1.9 and 1.27 is enclosed.

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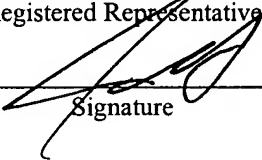
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Device with Improved Basket

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**FIRST SUPPLEMENTAL
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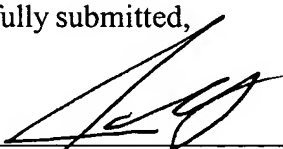
Sir:

Pursuant to the obligation under 37 C.F.R. § 1.56 and in conformance with 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.97-1.99, Applicant hereby submits documents A1-A5 listed on the attached form PTO-1449 for consideration by the Examiner. In accordance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.98(d), copies of these documents are not provided since they were previously cited by or submitted to the Office in prior application serial number 10/022,061, which is being relied upon for an earlier filing date under 35 U.S.C. § 120. Applicant also requests that the Examiner consider all the Office Actions issued in the prior application.

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Dated: February 23, 2004

Respectfully submitted,

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LIST OF PATENTS AND PUBLICATIONS FOR APPLICANT'S INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT (use several sheets if necessary)	FILING DATE September 17, 2003	GROUP ART UNIT 3731
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REFERENCE DESIGNATION

U.S. PATENT DOCUMENTS

EXAMINER INITIAL		DOCUMENT NUMBER <small>Number-Kind Code (if known)</small>	DATE	NAME	CLASS/ SUBCLASS	FILING DATE
	A1	6,007,546	12-1999	Snow et al.		
	A2	5,535,759	07-1996	Wilk, Peter J.		
	A3	5,397,320	03-1995	Essig et al.		
	A4	6,494,885	12-2002	Dhindsa		
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